

REMARKS

Claims 2-7 and 14-25 are now pending in the application. Claim 1 is cancelled herein. Claims 2-7 and 14-15 are amended herein. Claims 16-25 are added herein. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejection in view of the amendments and remarks contained herein.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 1, 5-7, and 14-15 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Yamada (U.S. Pat. No. 6,366,025).

The Examiner states that claims 2-4 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Claim 1 is cancelled herein, and claims 2-4 have been rewritten in independent form herein. Claims 5-7 and 14-15 have been amended herein to depend from claim 2. Accordingly, for at least these reasons, claims 5-7 and 14-15 should be in condition for allowance, and withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

Furthermore, the Examiner asserts that Yamada discloses adjustment of deterioration characteristics over time in a predetermined type of light emitting unit according to the light emitting unit having the largest degree of deterioration of emission characteristics over time. With regard to claims 6-7, the Examiner asserts that Yamada discloses a display apparatus. With regard to claims 14 and 15, the Examiner asserts that Yamada discloses an apparatus comprising red, blue, and green light-emitting units, and deterioration adjustment device. See pages 2-3 of the Office Action.

However, Yamada does not disclose a deterioration adjustment device selected from a hole donor, an electron donor, a light-emitting layer mixed with impurities, or a

hole donor layer mixed with impurities. Therefore, for these additional reasons, Applicants submit that claims 5-7 and 14-15 dependent on claim 2, new claims 16-20 dependent on claim 3, and new claims 21-25 dependent on claim 4 should be patentable.

ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

As noted above, the Examiner states that claims 2-4 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Accordingly, Applicants have amended each of claims 2-4 to include the features of claim 1. Therefore, claims 2-4 should now be in condition for allowance. Additionally, claims 5-7 and 14-25, which all depend from one of claims 2-4, should also be in condition for allowance.


CONCLUSION

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action and the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner

believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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